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On the Behalf of the Steering Committee of National Physicians Alliance-CT and myself

March 4, 2018

Chairs and members of the insurance and Real Estate Committees, I intended to provide Testimony in person, but I am involved in some other community -based activities and am unable to get to the LOB. Therefore, I am presenting this testimony electronically. I have read the whole Bill.

I support whole heartedly this Statement of Purpose.

“Statement of Purpose: To impose additional disclosure and reporting requirements on pharmacy benefits managers, health carriers, pharmaceutical manufacturers, the Office of Health Strategy and the Insurance Department concerning prescription drug rebates and the cost of prescription drugs’

I urge

1. Section 1 to enacted fully as it is written especially Lines 34-43 on Page 2/16, all of page 3 and Lines 74 to 98.
2. Lines 136-206
3. The definitions are important and must be carefully vetted. Lines 207-254
4. I particularly support the recommendations in lines 255 – 377 Please review, refine and simplify the language. I totally support the purpose of including these recommendations
5. Section 6 is especially important 378- 414
6. I particularly ENDORSE Lines 417 – 419
7. The requirements for registration is also vital: lines 420-448

I believe with due diligence and feedback from the public and witnesses who provide testimony this Bill can achieve it the purpose stated above.

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